

STATE OF DELAWARE

BOARD OF GEOLOGISTS

Minutes – November 5, 2004

Approved December 3, 2004

The Delaware Board of Geologists held a meeting on Friday, November 5, 2004 at 10:00 a.m., in Conference Room B, Second Floor, Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

PRESENT:

Steven M. Smailer, Professional Member, Vice President, Presiding
Jerome Cooper, Public Member
Theodore Ressler, Public Member
Eric Trinkle, Professional Member
Allison Reardon, Deputy Attorney General
Caitlin Mears, Administrative Specialist II

ABSENT:

William S. Schenck, Professional Member, President
Dana Long, Public Member
Stephen Williams, Professional Member

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Smailer called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

Mr. Ressler made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 1, 2004 meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cooper and unanimously carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion of Senate Bill 229

The Board completed the list of crimes felt to be substantially related to a person's fitness or ability to perform one or more of the functions of a geologist. Mr. Smailer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cooper, to adopt this list as amended. The final list will be published in the Register of Regulations on December 1, 2004. A public hearing will be held on Friday, January 14, 2005 at 10:15 a.m. in the second floor conference room A of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

NEW BUSINESS

Applications for Licensure

Susan A. Green's application for licensure by reciprocity from Pennsylvania was reviewed by the Board. Mr. Smailer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ressler, to approve this application. The motion was carried unanimously.

Continuing Education Audit

The Board reviewed the continuing education log submitted by David W. Mooney. Mr. Trinkle made a motion to approve the continuing education and renew Mr. Mooney's license. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ressler and carried unanimously.

After reviewing the continuing education log submitted by Joseph G. Casey, Mr. Trinkle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ressler, to approve the continuing education and renew Mr. Casey's license. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed the additional continuing education documentation submitted by Elizabeth W. Rogers. Mr. Ressler made a motion to approve eight (8) additional hours of continuing education and renew Ms. Rogers' license. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cooper and carried unanimously.

The Board carefully reviewed the continuing education log submitted by Susan D. Halsey and found there to be sixteen (16) documented continuing education hours related to the field of geology. Mr. Smailer made a motion to not renew Ms. Halsey's license until she provides evidence of an additional eight (8) hours of acceptable continuing education. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ressler and carried unanimously.

Continuing Education Approval

The Board reviewed the application for continuing education approval of "Estimating Times of Remediation". Mr. Trinkle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cooper, to approve this activity for sixteen (16) contact hours as requested. The motion was carried unanimously.

The application for continuing education approval of "Geophysical Applications in Remedial Investigation" was reviewed by the Board. Mr. Trinkle made a motion to approve this activity for eight (8) contact hours. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cooper and carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed the inquiry of internet-based training courses offered by Interstate Technology and Regulatory Council (ITRC). Mr. Trinkle advised that internet-based courses have previously been discussed by this Board. Internet-based courses with a live session and presenter do have a list of attendees that can be downloaded. These courses, with a live session and presenter, are acceptable to the Board for continuing education credit provided that the content is related to the field of geology.

The application for approval of “Wells: Design, Construction, Operation & Maintenance” was reviewed by the Board. Mr. Trinkle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cooper, to approve this activity for four (4) contact hours. The motion was carried unanimously.

Other Business (for discussion only)

The Board recently became aware that, unlike Delaware, the state of Pennsylvania allows work experience to accrue prior to completion of the educational requirement for licensure. The question of how to maintain consistency in defining “substantially similar” will be discussed at the next meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for December 3, 2004

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Ressler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Trinkle and unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 12:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Caitlin Mears
Administrative Specialist II